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WARFAROE (EW).

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1. SUMMARY NAFAG SG/11 MET AT NATO HQ BRUSSELS DEC 4-5, 1973.

AGENDA ITEMS (REF A) FEATURED DISCUSSION OF EW MEASURES

IDENTIFIED BY SHAPE AS HIGH PRIORITY REQUIREMENTS FOR NATO EW

IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: SELF-PROTECTION ELECTRONIC COUNTER-MEASURES
F(ECM) FOR TACTICAL AIRCRAFT; AN AIR CREW EW TACTICS TRAINING

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FACILITY; AND INFRA-RED (IR) DETECTION AND PROTECTIVE MEASURES FOR TACTICAL AIRCRAFT. DISCUSSIONS HELPED CLARIFY OBJECTIVES OF SG/11 AND SUBORDINATE GROUPS. US STRESSED NEED FOR DETERMINING SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS BEFORE COMMON INTERESTS FOR COOPERATIVE

EFFORTS CAN BE IDENTIFIED. END SUMMARY.

2. ITEM II. CONSIDERATION OF REPORT BY CHAIRMAN SG/11 TO NAFAG. NTED CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO NAFAG KREF B). ALSO NOTED PRESENTATION MADE TO CONFERENCE OF NATIONAL ARMAMENT DIRECTORS (CNAD) BY DR. CURRIE (US) AT OCT 73 MEETING (REF C), PARTS OF WHICH DEALT WITH NEED FOR NATO EW IMPROVEMENT. US REP EXPLAINED THAT PURPOSE OF PRESENTATION WAS TO BRING ATTENTION OF HIGHER LEVELS OF NATIONAL AUTHORITIES TO IMPORTANCE OF EW AND NEED FOR PROGRAM SUPPORT AT ALL AND ESPECIALLY HIGHER NATIONAL LEVELS.

3. ITEM III. REPORT OF OPEN PROJECT GROUP (OPGL ON REQUIRE-MENTS FOR SELF-PROTECTION ECM FOR TACTICAL AIRCRAFT.

NOTED REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OPG (REFS D AND E), WHICH SERVED

AS BAISIS FOR LENGTHY DISCUSSION TENDING TO CLARIFY OBJECTIVES AND METHODS OF OPERATION OF OPG. BECAUSE MOST NATIONS ALREADY
HAVE MADE OR ARE ABOUT TO MAKE DECISIONS ON EQUIPPING THIER
FIGHTER AIRCRAFT WITH SELF-PROTECTION EW EQUIPMENT (WITH
POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF CHAFF), DISCUSSION DEVELOPED NEED FOR
GUIDANCE TO CHAIRMAN OPG. SMALL WORKING GROUP (US,UK, NORWAY,
AND SHAPE REPS) DRAFTED GUIDANCE FOR CONTINUATION OF OPG
LIMITING ITS IMMEDIATE EFFORT TO CHAFF FOR F-5 AND F-104
AIRCRAFT. SG ADOPTED MODIFIED GUIDELINES. COMMENT. GUIDELINES
AND DESIRES OF CHAIRMAN OPG FOR NATIONAL IMPUTS AT NEXT OPG
MEETING (JAN 30-31), 1974) WILL BE REPORTED SEPTEL.END COMMENT.

4. ITEM IV. DISCUSSION REGARDING AIR CREW WARFARE TACTICS FACILITY

US REP MADE BRIEF PRESENTATION ON GENERAL NATURE OF EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE IN US FOR TRAINING OF AIR CREWS IN EW ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING MATRIX OF TYPES OF REQUIREMENTS VS RANGE EQUIPMENT, WITH ESTIMATED COSTS, MANPOWER REQUIREMENTS, AND AREA NEEDED FOR RANGE OPERATION. SHAPE/USAFE DESCRIBED THE US RADAR BOMB SCORING RANGE (RBS) AT RAMSTEIN, GERMANY, AND ITS USE IN EW TRAINING OF AIR CREWS.

SIMULATIONS OF WARSAW PACT RADARS IS LIMITED ESSENTIALLY TO CONFIDENTIAL

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SA-2 SYSTEM. RANGE IS NOT OPERATED AT FULL CAPACITY; FEW NATO NATIONS HAVE UTILIZED IT. COMMENT. SUGGEST THAT NATO MAAGS BE INFORMED OF CAPABILITIES AND PROCEDURES FOR NATIONS TO USE RAMSTEIN RBS RANGE. END COMMENT.

5. UNINFORMED DISCUSSION BY SG MEMBERS FOLLOWED ON EXPANSION OF FACILITIES AT RAMSTEIN RBS RANGE, TO INCLUDE SA-3 AND SA-6 RADARS, SUGGESTING NATO-FUNDED EFFORT. US REP SUGGESTED CONSIDERATION OF ESTABLISHMENT OF NATO RANGE, FUNDED BY PARTICIPATING NATIONS INSTEAD

COMMENT. COST ESTIMATES OF FROM \$20 MILLION TO \$50 MILLION WILL NO DOUBT COOL ENTHUSIASM FOR ADEQUATE ARRANGEMENT. END COMMENT.

WORKING GROUP (US, UKTN SHAPE, AND SECRETARIAT) DRAFTED REVISED QUESTIONNAIRE TO BETTER DETERMINE NATIONAL INTERESTS. COMMENT. QUESTIONNAIRE WILL BE REPORTED SEPTEL. END COMMENT.

6. ITEM V. REQUIRMENTS FOR INFRA-RED (IR) COUNTERMEASURES FOR TACTICAL AIRCRAFT.

DISCUSSION INDICATED NEED FIRST FOR IR DETECTION SYSTEM (ITEM VI BELOW), THEN FOR IR FLARE CAPABILITY, PROBABLY INTEGRATED WITH CHAFF DISPENSER. FURTHER EXPLORATION AND INFORMATION EXCHANGE IS REQUIRED. SHAPE WILL MAKE PRESENTATION AT NEXT SG MEETING ON WARSAW PACT IR THREAT AND ON CURRENT STATE OF THE ART IN DETECTION AND PROTECTION. NATIONS ARE INVITED TO DISCUSS THEIR PLANS AND ACTIVITY AT NEXT SG MEETING.

7. ITEM VI. REQUIREMENTS FOR IR DETECTION SYSTEM FOR TACTICAL AIRCRAFT.

GERMANY REPORTED REQUEST TO US FOR INFO ON AAR-34 IR DETECTION SYSTEM AND SUBSEQUENT US DENIAL. COMMENT. MISSION HOPES THAT US PRESENTATION CAN INCLUDE INFO ON AAR-34 WITHIN INTENT OF OSD TO ENCOURAGE INFORMATION EXCHANGE WITH NATO ALLIES. END COMMENT.

INFORMATION EXCHANGE PRESENTATIONS BY US. UK. AND FRG ON NATIONAL EFFORTS IN IR RESERACH WILL BE ON AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING.

8. ITEM VII.PROMOTION OF FURTHER COLLABORATIVE EQUIPMENT PROCUREMENT PROGRAMS.

DISCUSSION EMPHASIZED NEED FOR NATIONS TO IDENTIFY AND DISCUSS CONFIDENTIAL

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THEIR LONG-TERM INTERESTS IN DEVELOPMENT OF EQUIPMENT FOR FUTURE AIRCRAFT. SHAPE WILL COLLATE INFO AND REPORT IF BASES EXIST FOR COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS.

9. ITME VIII. NEXT MEETING OF SG/11 WILL BE HELD AT NATO HQ BRUSSELS ON FEB 19-20, 1974. RUMSFELD

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